



Ottawa National Wildlife Refuge

Event Descriptions

Unless otherwise stated, events begin at the visitor center.

*Events marked with an asterisk require reservations. Call 419-898-0014 to save your spot!

SELF-GUIDED AUTO TOUR

Enjoy the refuge from the comfort of your car! The 7 mile route departs from the visitor center parking lot. Gates open at 8:00 am and close at 4:00 pm.

ADOPT A BEACH

Human nature protecting mother nature! Join us in celebrating Earth Day as we remove litter from the beaches along beautiful Lake Erie!

EAGLE TOUR

Witness our national icon on this back roads bus tour of Ottawa National Wildlife Refuge.

BLUE GOOSE BUS TOUR

Join a ranger for behind the scenes access to closed areas of the refuge complex. Destinations vary depending on wildlife use and activity.

CEDAR POINT BUS TOUR

Enjoy spring migration while exploring Cedar Point National Wildlife Refuge!

MONTHLY BIRD SURVEYS

Join a refuge volunteer and become a citizen scientist the first Sunday of each month at 8:00 am. Bring your binoculars and dress for the weather.

Meet at the trailhead parking area.

NATURE TOTS

Children ages 3-5 are invited to bring their favorite adult for nature crafts, stories, and outdoor fun!

SWAMPERS

Children ages 6-12 are invited to hike with a refuge ranger and explore the refuge. Discover the wonder of nature and plan for a swampin' good time.

BOB HINES

Join us to celebrate USFWS wildlife artist Bob Hines' contributions to conservation through a presentation by his biographer, Dr. John Juriga.

HIKE THE DIKES

"Hike the Dikes" is a cooperative program with Magee Marsh Wildlife Area and Black Swamp Bird Observatory. Attend three hikes and earn a hiking stick! *Meet at the Magee Marsh Sportsman's Migratory Bird Center.*

STORIES OF THE SWAMP

Discover the stories of the swamp! Stop by the visitor center and enjoy exhibits and a video that highlight the natural and cultural history of the Great Black Swamp. Open daily 9:00 am—4:00 pm.



Members Only Events:

Saturday, May 10

7-11am- Cedar Point NWR Bus Tour*

Sunday, May 18

1-4pm- Darby Marsh Bus Tour*

Membership information is available at the visitor center information desk.



Ottawa National Wildlife Refuge

Calendar of Events

April—May, 2014

***Programs marked with an asterisk require reservations. Call 419-898-0014 to save your spot!**

Wednesday, April 2

9:30am-12pm- Eagle Tour*
12:30-3pm- Eagle Tour*

Saturday, April 5

10:30-11:30am- Nature Tots*
1:00-2:30pm- Swampers*

Sunday, April 6

8am- Monthly Bird Survey

Saturday, April 12

9am- Hike the Dikes
9:30am-12pm- Eagle Tour*
12:30-3pm- Eagle Tour*

Wednesday, April 16

9:30am-12pm- Eagle Tour*
12:30-3pm- Eagle Tour*

Saturday, April 19

8am-4pm- Self Guided Auto Tour
9:00-11:00am- Adopt A Beach*

Sunday, April 20

8am-4pm- Self Guided Auto Tour

Saturday, April 26

9:30am-12pm- Eagle Tour*
12:30-3pm- Eagle Tour*

Friday, May 2

7-11am- Cedar Point Bus Tour*
8am-4pm- Self Guided Auto Tour
1-4pm- Blue Goose Bus Tour*

Saturday, May 3

7-11am- Cedar Point Bus Tour*
8am-4pm- Self Guided Auto Tour
9am- Hike the Dikes
10:30-11:30am- Nature Tots*
1-2:30pm- Swampers*
1-4pm- Blue Goose Bus Tour*

Sunday, May 4

7-11am- Cedar Point Bus Tour*
8am- Monthly Bird Survey
8am-4pm- Self Guided Auto Tour
1-4pm- Blue Goose Bus Tour*

Monday, May 5

7-11am- Cedar Point Bus Tour*
8am-4pm- Self Guided Auto Tour
1-4pm- Blue Goose Bus Tour*

Tuesday, May 6

7-11am- Cedar Point Bus Tour*
8am-4pm- Self Guided Auto Tour
1-4pm- Blue Goose Bus Tour*

Wednesday, May 7

7-11am- Cedar Point Bus Tour*
8am-4pm- Self Guided Auto Tour
1-4pm- Blue Goose Bus Tour*

Thursday, May 8

7-11am- Cedar Point Bus Tour*
8am-4pm- Self Guided Auto Tour
1-4pm- Blue Goose Bus Tour*

Friday, May 9

7-11am- Cedar Point Bus Tour*
8am-4pm- Self Guided Auto Tour
1-4pm- Blue Goose Bus Tour*

Saturday, May 10

8am-4pm- Self Guided Auto Tour
12:30pm- Bob Hines
1-4pm- Blue Goose Bus Tour*

Sunday, May 11

7-11am- Cedar Point Bus Tour*
8am-4pm- Self Guided Auto Tour
12:30pm- Bob Hines
1-4pm- Blue Goose Bus Tour*

Monday, May 12

7-11am- Cedar Point Bus Tour*
8am-4pm- Self Guided Auto Tour
1-4pm- Blue Goose Bus Tour*

Tuesday, May 13

7-11am- Cedar Point Bus Tour*
8am-4pm- Self Guided Auto Tour
1-4pm- Blue Goose Bus Tour*

Wednesday, May 14

7-11am- Cedar Point Bus Tour*
8am-4pm- Self Guided Auto Tour
1-4pm- Blue Goose Bus Tour*

Thursday, May 15

7-11am- Cedar Point Bus Tour*
8am-4pm- Self Guided Auto Tour
1-4pm- Blue Goose Bus Tour*

Friday, May 16

7-11am- Cedar Point Bus Tour*
8am-4pm- Self Guided Auto Tour
1-4pm- Blue Goose Bus Tour*

Saturday, May 17

7-11am- Cedar Point Bus Tour*
8am-4pm- Self Guided Auto Tour
1-4pm- Blue Goose Bus Tour*

Sunday, May 18

7-11am- Cedar Point Bus Tour*
8am-4pm- Self Guided Auto Tour

Saturday, May 24

9:30am-12pm- Eagle Tour*
12:30-3pm- Eagle Tour*

Wednesday, May 28

9:30am-12pm- Eagle Tour*
12:30-3pm- Eagle Tour*